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CLAIM FOR PRIORITY UNDER 35 USC 119

Applicant hereby claims all priority rights granted under 35 U.S.C. 119 and the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, and similar treaties.

A certified copy of corresponding Japanese Application No. 374845/2000, filed December 8, 2000, will follow.

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